Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State couples who have admirably demonstrated the vitality and strength of their love through the longevity of their marital vows; and

Whereas, Kenneth Eugene Lesley, Sr., took the lovely hand of his beautiful bride, Minnie Omega Ann Burgess, on June 5, 1954, as the two pledged their troth during a solemn wedding ceremony which was performed at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Saint Louis; and

Whereas, now that five decades have passed, Kenneth and Minnie Lesley will celebrate their Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary on June 5, 2004, at Saint Ann's Catholic Church; and

Whereas, the union of Kenneth and Minnie Lesley has been blessed down through the years with the love and affection of their children, Kenneth Eugene Lesley, Jr., Mary Ann Fletcher, Carol Sue Harms, Ranee Yvonne Ingram, and Dorothy Josephine Fitzpatrick; sixteen grandchildren; and ten great-grandchildren; and

Whereas, Kenneth Lesley admirably provided for his growing family through his employment with AG Grocers, a vocational endeavor from which he is now retired; and

Whereas, Minnie Lesley likewise contributed to the support of her family through her unparalleled efforts to keep her home a warm and inviting place for all and through her employment with Ann's Salon as a licensed beautician; and

Whereas, known by all as a "Terrific Grandpa," Kenneth Lesley enjoys sewing, woodworking, horseback riding, restoring vehicles, motorcycles, fishing, and bow shoots, and has developed quite a name for himself by taking First Place at a Teamsters Local 688 picnic horseshoe tournament and receiving an Outstanding Achievement Award for baseball; and

Whereas, Minnie Lesley is a "Terrific Grandma" who enjoys latchhook, fishing, decorating with bows she makes at Christmas, and spending time with her family:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the Golden Wedding Anniversary of Kenneth and Minnie Lesley and to convey to them this legislative body's heartiest best wishes for many more celebratory occasions to come in life; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Lesley, Sr., of Warsaw, Missouri.

Offered by	
•	Representative Tom Self
	District No. 116

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 2342, adopted April 29, 2004.